

What is claimed is:

1. A composite flooring material comprising:
 - a. a foam sheet comprising polyolefin;
 - b. a first film adhered to a first surface of the foam sheet; and
 - c. a second film adhered to a second surface of the foam sheet, wherein at least one edge of the second film extends beyond a corresponding edge of the foam sheet.
2. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the foam sheet comprises polyethylene.
3. The composite material of Claim 2 wherein the foam sheet comprises a low density polyethylene, a medium density polyethylene, or a high density polyethylene.
4. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the foam sheet has a density of between about 1 and about 8 pounds/ft³.
5. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the foam sheet has a thickness of between about 0.001 and about 2 inches.
6. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the first film has a thickness of not more than about 0.001 inches.
7. The composite material of Claim 6 wherein the first film has a thickness of between about 0.0003 inches and about 0.00075 inches.

8. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the first film comprises polyolefin.
9. The composite material of Claim 8 wherein the first film comprises polyethylene.
10. The composite material of Claim 9 wherein the first film comprises a compound selected from the group consisting of low density polyethylene, metallocene based polyethylene, medium density polyethylene, high density polyethylene, and biaxially oriented polypropylene.
11. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the first film comprises a film layer and a bonding layer.
12. The composite material of Claim 11 wherein the bonding layer comprises a compound selected from the group consisting of propylene/ethylene copolymers, ethylene-propylene terpolymers, ethylene-butylene random copolymers, polyethylenes ranging in density from about 0.91 to about 0.96 g/cc, metallocene-catalyzed plastomers and elastomers, ultra low density ethylene/octene copolymers ranging in density from about 0.88 to about 0.913 g/cc, ionomers, natural rubbers, styrene-butadine-styrene copolymers, styrene-isoprene-styrene copolymers, acrylics, ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymers, ethylene/vinyl alcohol copolymers, fluorinated ethylene-propylene copolymers, elastomeric copolymers of ethylene and propylene, butyl rubbers, ABS, chlorinated polyethylenes, PVDC, ACS acrylonitrile-chlorinated polyethylenes, and high impact polystyrenes.
13. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the first film is stretch-oriented in at least two directions.
14. The composite material of Claim 13 wherein the first film has an orientation ratio of at least about 2 in both of said at least two directions.

15. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the second film has a thickness of between about 0.001 inches and about 0.008 inches.
16. The composite material of Claim 15 wherein the second film has a thickness of about 0.002 inches.
17. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the second film comprises polyolefin.
18. The composite material of Claim 17 wherein the second film comprises polyethylene.
19. The composite material of Claim 18 wherein the second film comprises a low density polyethylene.
20. The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the second film comprises a film layer and a bonding layer.
21. The composite material of Claim 20 wherein the bonding layer comprises a compound selected from the group consisting of propylene/ethylene copolymers, ethylene-propylene terpolymers, ethylene-butylene random copolymers, polyethylenes ranging in density from about 0.91 to about 0.96 g/cc, metallocene-catalyzed plastomers and elastomers, ultra low density ethylene/octene copolymers ranging in density from about 0.87 to about 0.913 g/cc, ionomers, natural rubbers, styrene-butadine-styrene copolymers, styrene-isoprene-styrene copolymers, acrylics, ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymers, ethylene/vinyl alcohol copolymers, fluorinated ethylene-propylene copolymers, elastomeric copolymers of ethylene and propylene, butyl rubbers, ABS, chlorinated polyethylenes, PVDC, ACS acrylonitrile-chlorinated polyethylenes, and high impact polystyrenes.

22. The composite material of Claim 1 further comprising an adhesive positioned along at least a portion of said at least one edge of the second film that extends beyond the corresponding edge of the foam sheet.
23. The composite material of Claim 22 further comprising a release liner applied to the adhesive layer.
24. A method for making a composite material comprising the steps of:
 - a. adhering a first film to a first surface of a foam sheet; and
 - b. adhering a second film to a second surface of the foam sheet such that at least one edge of the film extends beyond a corresponding edge of the foam sheet.
25. The method of Claim 24 wherein the first and second films are heat laminated to the foam sheet.
26. The method of Claim 24 comprising the step of interposing a first bonding layer between the first film and the foam sheet.
27. The method of Claim 24 comprising the step of interposing a second bonding layer between the second film and the foam sheet.

